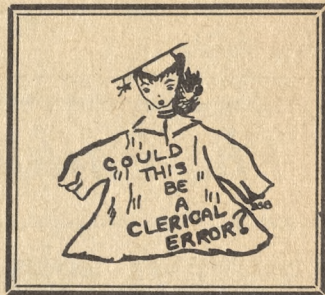




# The Pilot



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## Seniors Await Commencement Exercises June 26th; Numerous Scholarships Go to Outstanding Students

By Cecily Rosenzweig

A number of Fort Hamiltonites have distinguished themselves in various scholarship competitions.

At the beginning of last month, seven outstanding seniors were awarded State Regents College Scholarships on the basis of a competitive examination. The recipients in this school were: James Cummins, 4B2; Vincent Delia, 4A15; Susan Jablonsky, 4B10; Elysabeth Korein, 4A5; Carol Magnussen, 4A17; Harry Quayle, 4B6; and Lee Rosenblum, 4A5.

The State Regents Scholarship Board awarded a Nursing Scholarship to Nancy Delaney and a Science Scholarship to Susan Jablonsky. Susan also received a Regents Scholarship in Cornell University.

### Other Scholarships

According to Mrs. Mary Catania, College Coordinator, other scholarships received thus far are as follows:

Harry Quayle, 4B6—a scholarship to Colgate University and a Pulitzer scholarship to Columbia University. The Pulitzer award gives Harry full tuition at Columbia for four years, and also provides \$250 a year for incidental expenses.

Susan Jablonsky, 4B10—General Motors National Scholarship.

John Fenniman, 4B6—scholarships to Colgate University, Union College, and Hamilton College.

Jean Moser, 4B6—Generoso Pope Memorial Scholarship.

Evelyn Richardson, 4A9—scholarships to Harpur State College and Upsala College.

Linda Lsrael, 4B8—Brooklyn Hospital Merit Scholarship.

June Nilsen, 4B14—Taylor University Selective Honor Scholarship.

Lee Rosenblum, 4A5—scholarships to Swarthmore College and Barnard College.

Dolores Vozzo, 4A5—American Can

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## Pan Am. Club Awards Prizes

To close a successful year, the Pan American Club, under the supervision of Miss Anita Coleman and Mr. Allen Felder, recently sponsored a Spanish Crossword Puzzle Contest for all Spanish 2 students. Prizes were awarded for the earliest submitted correct answers.

First prize of two tickets for a Spanish movie went to Lloyd Haas, 2C17; while second prize of one ticket went to Judith Solmonoff, 3A7. Honorable mention went to Deanna Garcia, Stanley Steinhauer, Mary McKenna, Robert Wemyss, Carole Beinert, John Dockerty, Madge Finn, Valerie Larsen, Doris Holvik, and Robert Coiro. The puzzle was devised by Kay Shakel, 3A3.

At the club's final meeting, the following officers were elected for next year: President—Arthur Broder, 3B10; Vice President—Carol Laub, 3B10; Secretary—Herbert Futoran, 3A11; Treasurer—Jay Cohen, 3A1.

To wind up the year's activities, the club will have a luncheon at a Spanish restaurant, at which time the outgoing president, Paula Sclafani, 3A7, will receive the Pan American Medal for outstanding work done to help foster Pan American understanding.

### Valedictorians and Salutatorians



Susan Jablonsky  
Radcliffe '62



Lee Rosenblum  
Swarthmore '62



Elysabeth Korein  
Hunter '62



Vincent Delia  
Colgate '62

## Two Salutatorians Plan For Tough College Work

By Amy Hittner

How would you feel if you had to make the welcoming speech to your classmates at graduation? Elysabeth Korein, this year's salutatorian, will find out soon enough—June 26, to be exact.

Elysabeth has been competing with her classmates for this honor for three years, and nosed out her competitors with a third-place position in this year's senior class.

### Math Contest Winner

She recently represented our school on a science program at the Board of Education's radio station, WNYE, where she discussed different phases of electricity. Competing against other honor students in Fort Hamilton, she won first prize in a nationwide mathematics contest sponsored by the Mathematics Association of America. Her most recent honor was copping a New York State Regents Scholarship.

Elysabeth also finds time for many extracurricular activities. She is literary editor of the *Tower*, manager of the bowling team (division champions, by the way), a choreographer for the Modern Dance Class, and an active member of Curtaintimers.

### To Hunter College

When asked about her plans for the future, she explained that September will find her attending Hunter College where she will pursue her chosen field of mathematics. Elysabeth added, "Though I am looking forward to my college career, I'll miss my good friends and helpful teachers in Fort Hamilton."

During the summer of 1956, Liz

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By Harry Quayle

"Master of all trades and jack of none" is perhaps a bit of a hyperbole, but we think Vincent (Vinny) Delia comes as close to this title as any Hamiltonite we know.

That Vinny was selected as one of the salutatorians at the forthcoming graduation came as no surprise to his teachers and friends, though it did surprise him. Vinny's rank in his class is fourth, and his three-year average a mere 94 plus. Supplementing these achievements, Vinny was one of seven Hamilton students to win a New York State Regents College Scholarship.

### Keen Interest in Science

Vinny's scholastic interests center around chemistry, physics and math. (He is a member of the Chem Squad, under the direction of Mrs. Nellie Juul.) After graduation, Vinny will probably attend Colgate and continue his science studies there.

This prospective salutatorian is certainly not the "mad scientist" type of student. He is enthusiastic over baseball, basketball, swimming, and tennis. Furthermore, he is a pianist of some skill, as anyone who has heard him play will testify. As for his musical preference, Vinny plays mostly classical compositions. He also enjoys putting a few of his classical, semi-classical, or show tunes on his hi-fi set and listening, just listening.

### Enjoys Literature, Art

Reading is another of Vinny's pastimes. His tastes are wide, but he has a special preference for Dostoevski. Recently this senior took a liking

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By Heike De Blasio

Graduation, the goal of approximately 600 seniors, and the climax of four years of schooling, will take place Thursday, June 26. As in previous years, because of the large graduating class, there will be two ceremonies, one at 9 a.m., the other at 11.

As the graduates, dressed in their school colors (the boys in blue robes, the girls in white), march to their appointed seats, the program will begin with the orchestra's rendition of Charles Gounod's *Queen of Sheba Processional*, under the baton of Annette Howe.

## Editors Put Final Touches On '58 Yearbook

The *Tower* staff is working feverishly to produce "one of the finest yearbooks in the history of our school." Mrs. Mildred Liger, art adviser, and Miss Elizabeth Steinmetz, literary adviser, are supervising last-minute details and expect to have the book distributed sometime near the end of this month.

"Although we work very hard," said Flo Gorman, photography editor, "we realize that our yearbook means very much to us, since it is the accumulation of four wonderful years of memories."

The business staff is also energetically at work, handling advertisements and preparing lists for the distribution of the *Tower*. Said Mr. Alexander Selwyn, business adviser, "I want to commend the students who are giving so graciously of their time and effort in order to make this an outstanding senior yearbook."

Editors of this publication are: Betsy Lambertson, editor-in-chief;

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## 24 Staff Members Get Pilot Pins

Early in May, twenty-four members of the *Pilot* staff received the official *Pilot* pin for outstanding service on the school paper.

The happy recipients were Charlene Alekel, Barbara Bold, Bonnie Breslin, Diane Capobianco, Jonathan Charney, Heike DeBlasio, Sue Del Bianco, Carolyn Gelland, Carmela Galasso, Eliot Goldenberg, Virginia Gordy, Amy Hittner, Joan Hope, Jonathan Kamin, Gary Mehlman, Margaret Moore, Patricia Naccari, Janet Orfaly, Judy Rizika, Cecily Rosenzweig, Maxine Rosenzweig, Harold Skilbred, Karen Swenson, and James Tucker.

The above students comprise editors, reporters, columnists, artists, typists, and assistants.

### Chorus, Soloists to Perform

The mixed chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Marie K. Salzberg, will sing "Sanctus" from the *Saint Cecilia Mass*, by Charles Gounod, and also *Beautiful Dreamer* by Stephen Foster. Solos will be sung by Peter Mincieli and Vivian Angell.

Following this, awards will be presented to some of the graduates for excellence in various fields, among them the Cooperation in Government Award, the Parent-Teachers Association Awards, the Augustus Ludwig Award, the Daughters of the American Revolution Award, and awards for scholastic excellence in subjects of the various school departments, such as the French Medal and the English Department Award.

### To Present Class Gift

The seniors will then be presented by their grade advisers (Mrs. Ruth Swahn and Mr. Alfred Joltin) to Mr. Jon B. Leder, principal, who will distribute the diplomas, after which the president of the senior class, Joan Schneider, will present the class gift to him for the school.

The orchestra, conducted by Mr. Samuel Chelmsky, will then play

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## Elect Officers For Coming Year

Fort Hamilton G. O. members voted May 16th for the candidates who, in their opinion, will perform the duties of their respective offices diligently, intelligently and efficiently.

The following students were elected for the year 1958-59: Kenneth Torp, president; Dom Di Mauro, vice president; Janet Wilson, secretary; Agatha Seneca, treasurer.

Said Kenneth to a *Pilot* reporter: "I want to make it clear that I will do my very best to uphold the fine tradition set by former and present G. O. officers."

## Receive 'Atlantic' Literary Ratings

Lee Rosenblum, 4A5, and Margaret Moore, 3B4, received Merit Writing ratings in the *Atlantic Monthly's* annual high school literary contest. Both Lee and Margaret submitted short stories, respectively entitled *Oliver and the Dragon* and *Transit System*.

Merit ratings are awarded to the top forty of the nation's entries in the fields of essays, poetry and short stories. Five hundred short stories were submitted this year.

## Regents Examination Schedule

TIME	FRIDAY June 13	MONDAY June 16	TUESDAY June 17	WEDNESDAY June 18
8:45 to 12:15	Eng. 4 yrs.	Amer. Hist. with World Back- ground	App. Chem.* Biology Chemistry Comb. Sten. & Typewriting	Adv. Algebra Bookkeeping 2 Major Art 2
12:45 to 4:15	Int. Alg. 10 yr. Math 11 yr. Math	Latin 2 yrs. French 2 yrs. Spanish 2 yrs. German 2 yrs. Home Nursing Mech. Drawing Shop	Physics Basic Art	Latin 3 yrs. French 3 yrs. Spanish 3 yrs. German 3 yrs.

\* The Applied Chemistry is a 2 hour City-wide examination. It will begin at 9:15 A.M. and end at 11:15 A.M.



## The Editors Say...

### Summer Jobs Are Scarce

For the past several years many thousands of high school and college students have gone into the labor market and have earned sizable sums of money during their summer vacation. This year, however, as a New York *Herald Tribune* survey shows, the recession has severely limited summer employment opportunities, especially for people under sixteen years of age.

Among those industries which are refusing almost all of their high school applicants are insurance companies, advertising agencies, magazines, and construction firms. The garment industry has also been hard hit, and even restaurants and chain stores will be forced to cut down on the summer help they will hire.

Prospects are brighter, however, for jobs at summer camps and resorts; and the Association of Private Camps plans to add about 8,000 new employees to fill positions at many of their 350 member camps. Starting salaries for such jobs range from \$150 to \$300.

Perhaps you may succeed in securing for yourself a job which will bring you monetary dividends; but if not, remember that money is not the only reward a summer can bring. Carefully-spaced hours of reading or review during your spare time will enable you to reap scholastic dividends next year. No need to write the summer off as a loss if you can't get a job.

### Move, You Checker!

Did you know, seniors, that you are completing a gigantic game of checkers? You have successfully crossed the eight squares of the checkerboard—the eight terms in Fort Hamilton—and your crowning moment will be graduation.

But wait! Do you remember the game? The king, when crowned, does not rest contentedly in his little black square, but moves across the board with increased power to help his teammates. And he must also continue defending himself.

Graduates, take inventory. You will discover that this little game was just a preliminary. You are about to embark on a larger board—the checkerboard of life, in which you are now once again in the back row and must begin to fight your way to victory and success. You need courage, faith, knowledge, intelligence, and ambition. It's a tall order, true.

But, graduates, your education is really just beginning.

## Senior Scrapbook

By Barbara Cowles

### MOONLIGHT AND ROSES

The stars never sparkled so beautifully and dreams never came true so abundantly as on the evening of our Senior Prom. The sight of the boys in their tuxedos and the girls in their evening dresses on the dance floor made a lasting impression.



Teachers, too, looked their finest that night, and one hopes that many years from now they will consider our prom to have been a very special event. The music of the orchestra and the beauty of the Hotel Biltmore also reflected unusual charm.

Yes, moonlight and the delicate fragrance of flowers filled the air, as we seniors agreed that the prom was truly all we could have hoped for.

### FAREWELLS IN THE AIR

Now is the time that we must say goodbye to treasured memories: lunch on the Shore on sunny days... meeting friends between classes... the fear of gnawing Regents... the disappointment of seeing rain on the first day of spring... favorite teachers and classes... the distribution of senior jewelry... waiting for Senior Day when the school would be "completely ours"... birthday celebrations during lunch periods... excitedly decorating senior pins to be worn at our first assembly, but rarely again... longing for those Christmas and Easter holidays... and finally, four wonderful years at Fort Hamilton.

On graduation day, as we leave Hamilton's halls forever, we will begin a life filled with new friends, new hopes, new opportunities. On that day we will close the cover of our Senior Scrapbook on many beautiful, unforgettable memories. Our future college or business life cannot be predicted, but I hope that it will be filled to overflowing with all the happiness you want it to contain. And so, let me close this scrapbook with three last words: for the future, "Good luck!"; for the past, "Remember."

## Versatile Senior Is Golfer, Skin-diver, Verse Writer

By Susan Jablonsky

Poetess, traveler, golfer, skin-diver, charming young lady. All these adjectives most aptly describe Mary Wickman, Fort Hamilton senior and author of the poem printed below.

Mary, whose father is in the army, was born in Omaha, Nebraska, and has lived in ten states as well as in the Panama Canal Zone. There are three other girls in the family, including Barbara, a sophomore here. Mary has been a student at Hamilton since September. When asked whether she enjoys all this travelling, she replied, "I like to move around because I see so many different places and things; but then again, I hate to leave my friends when I move."

### Escape From Sharks

Mary has had many interesting and unusual experiences in her travels. Once, after skin-diving off the Panama coast, she noticed some sharks in the water nearby. "I was never so glad to get back into a boat in my life!" she exclaimed.

### "Never a Wac!"

Mary's plans for the future include a college career at Ladycliff College, in Highland Falls, New York, south of West Point. After college, "I'm not sure what I'll do," she said, "but I'll never be a WAC!"

### Lament

Who, when they were young, worked hard all day,  
Gave the chickens corn and the horses hay?

Who milked the cows and plowed the ground,  
And never uttered a cheerless sound?  
My parents.

Who says I complain when work is calling,  
That all I'm good for is only stalling?

And who can crush my weekends depicted,  
With two little words like: "You're restricted!"  
My parents.

And when they go out and I'm left alone,  
And I spend all my time on the telephone,  
Who forgot the key and was trying to call?

Who was locked out and stormy about it all?  
My parents.

And who thinks that I am still about eight,  
And should not be allowed to remain out late?

Once I came tiptoeing in at three—  
Guess who was up and waiting for me!  
My parents.

But when troubles are heavy and joys are few,  
When all seems false and nothing seems true,  
When all is cloudy and nothing is clear,  
Who comes around with comfort and cheer?

Nobody. Mary Wickman

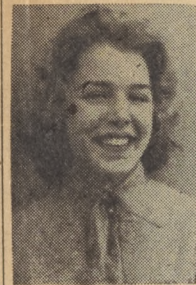
### When It's All Over...



## Backwash

By Karen Swenson

Herman is an average student. He awoke one beautiful morning in late May and looked out of the window



at the trees, the sunshine, the birds, and the flowers. Then he shuddered and went back to bed. It was not the trees, or the sunshine, or the birds, or the flowers that made him shudder. No, Herman had just realized how close the Regents were.

Herman had repeatedly tried to beat the Regents Board, but without success. The first year he tried it the hard way: he studied. Needless to say, it did not work. The next year he made use of his mathematical knowledge and calculated the possibility of certain questions coming up that year. The only trouble was that the Regents Board had done some calculating, too. They used the questions that were not due to come up until 1973.

### The Ruse Backfires

He was assigned to a certain seat in a certain classroom for his exam. The night before, he sneaked into school, armed with his trusty ice-pick, and carved into the desk every bit of information he would possibly need to know. The next day he marched into school and up to the classroom. On the door was a sign: Repairs Going On—Keep Out. Herman's exam was held in the cafeteria, and he flunked beautifully.

### Our Hero Tries Again

This year, Herman resolved, was going to be different. Late one night he jimmied the lock on the Albany State Bank and blasted the dial on the safe. After searching through deposits, quiz questions, and bound-up bank clerks, he found it: a large metal box marked "Regents 1958." Nervously he fumbled with the lock. Finally it clicked under his fingers, the lock flew off, and a piece of paper fluttered out. It said, "Ha ha, fooled again!"

I told Herman in his cell that there was a much easier way.

"How?" he asked desperately.

"Move to New Jersey, simp!"

## Driftwood

By Lee Rosenblum

The other day my bloodhound Sad and I were walking down the street. Sad was wearing his dark glasses with the purple frames, and had a red-plaid ice pack on his head.



I looked at him. "I know," I said. "You're traveling incognito..."

He shook his head.

"So," I added most sympathetically, "you must have a hang-over."

Sad stopped, curled his tail around his glasses, lifted them off his nose, raised one eyebrow, and looked at me reproachfully.

"Me? Me have a hang-over?"

Why, I'll have you know I'm a charter member of the T.L.F.F.O.O.F.F.—which is, of course, the Temperance League for Fish, Fowl, and Our Other Furry Friends—and I have never tasted anything alcoholic in my life—except once—he grinned bashfully—"when some root beer we were making in the cellar fermented—accidentally, of course"

"Oh, of course. But if you're not trying to disguise yourself, and you're not revoking your membership in that ridiculous organization, then why in heaven's name are you wearing that foolish-looking costume?"

"Because," he sneezed. "Because," he sneezed again. "Because I've got spring fever, and whenever I get spring fever I sneeze, and my head hurts and my eyes tear, and so I wear the ice pack and the glasses to make me feel better—if," he added acidly, "if it's all right with you."

"Oh, quite."

Then he sneezed again—a loud and mighty blast. But this time the vibrations caused the ice pack to slide down over his eyes, knocking his glasses off, so that he couldn't see. And because he stubbornly insisted on continuing to walk, he collided with a tree.

He said something.

"Please," I cautioned him, "remember you're in print." And then, as I am getting so adept at doing, I changed the subject.

"Sad," I said, "what are you going to do when they finally let you out in June?"

He looked at me in silence for a moment. Then he began: "What difference does it make what I'll do with my life? Who cares? Will it affect the history of the world? No! Will it really matter to anyone in a hundred years? No! If I persuaded Ezra Pound to engage in a lecture tour and give readings from *Mother Goose*, would anyone listen? If I discovered a new element and won a Nobel Prize, would it matter?"

"Well, that might be interesting in a purely historical sense," I inserted.

"Don't interrupt me. No one would notice. Everyone is too busy with his own petty interests to look at anyone else. We are all members of a lonely crowd—all just organization men. The original is ostracized. Men are vegetables."

He began to cry—large wet tears. "Life is futile. We shall all be vaporized by atomic bombs. The world is doomed!"

He was getting incoherent.

"I am a member of the lost generation—the beat generation. Life is ridiculous. I should write the great American novel and tell the world how ridiculous it is. But I won't. I shall probably become a street sweeper in Hoboken or a popcorn vendor in Juno, Alaska. I, too, am but a wasted product of my environment."

I looked down at him, a huddled, quivering mass on the sidewalk. There was only one thing left to say. I said it.

"Oh, really, Sad."



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By Jim Farber

The Blue and White linksmen suffered its first borough defeat in three years when they played Brooklyn Tech, May 14. The team was trying for its third consecutive Brooklyn championship.

Coach John Matheson said, "It was a very close and exciting match, and the players on both teams were great competitors and sportsmen."

Mr. Harry Flaster, bowling coach, says, "Tryouts for the bowling team will be held in the middle of September, and I hope the boys will do as well as this year's topflight championship team."



The bowling and golf teams lose only two men each through graduation; so prospects look bright for next year.

The awards dinner, and I hope the boys will do as well. The food was excellent, and a very enjoyable program was presented in the evening. Some of the athletes received much merited awards.

One of the graduating players on the Blue and White basketball team said, "With the added height on next year's team, and with the added experience of the veterans, we should do much better than we did the past season."

Mr. Francis Ptak came up with a strong baseball team this season. One of the highlights was Hamilton's defeat of Lincoln, the major contender for the championship. It was Lincoln's first defeat of the year.

This being the last issue of the Pilot for the current year, I would like to say how much I enjoyed working and writing for the paper.

Good luck and a happy summer!

## Minutemen Make West Point Trip

After a very active year representing Fort Hamilton at interborough conferences, the Minutemen brought their activities to a close with a trip to West Point and Hyde Park, and a party on May 19th.

Miss Francis Hennessy, chairman of the Social Studies Department, presented awards to Morris Kramer, president, and two other members—Barbara Venito and Linda Caccavo—for outstanding service and leadership.

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## Sharpshooter Aims True and High

John Maher, Hamilton junior, is a fellow to be wary of. No, he's not a criminal, but an expert rifleman in the National Rifle Association.

John and three friends recently won the team championship in the N. R. A. contest in New York State. The group placed second in the Eastern region and 25th in the nation!

John, who has been shooting for only a year and a half, learned on a .22 rifle, under the supervision of a friend's father. He is now an adept marksman in all four official positions with a 9½-pound rifle (prone, sitting, kneeling and standing). This personable junior has "more certificates and medals than I know what to do with," and is at present working to obtain the Association's highest award—that of Distinguished Marksman.

## Handball Squad Better Record

With seven veterans and four newcomers, the handball team has already bettered its last year's record.

The squad, coached by Mr. Sol Siegel, is composed of Donald Bittar, captain; Ronald Bittar; Arthur Spector; Vincent Esposito; Steve Oleskask; Antimo DeGennaro; and Aasgeir Korsnes. Among the promising newcomers are Richard Norton, Robert Young, Olaf Bensen and Robert Magrino.

"Perhaps the most improved player on the team," said Coach Siegel, "is Vincent Esposito. He's going places."

Arthur Spector lost only one match during the entire season, the coach added admiringly.

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## Hurler and Slugger



Ed Guerriero



Jerry O'Connell

## Guerriero Mows Them; O'Connell Clouts Them

By Jonathan Charney

Into the den fraught with danger, I stealthily crept; but my sneaking ways were in vain. I was surrounded on all sides not only by the entire baseball team, but by its sixty admirers.

"So you want to know about Edward Guerriero? Well, let me tell you..."

"No, I'll tell you!" shouted another, as six stepped on my white bucks.

"You want to know about Jerry O'Connell, of course," pleaded the third.

I drew myself up to the full height of my five feet, six and five-eighths inches and commanded the aforementioned men to talk for themselves.

### Excellent Hitter, Pitcher

Handsome, six feet, two inches tall, Eddie Guerriero, nick-named "El Toro" (The Bull) by his team-mates, has been on the Blue and White baseball team for three years. On April 18, he pitched against Brooklyn Automotive Trades High School. In four innings, he struck out seven men and gave up only one hit.

The best hitting pitcher on our team, famous for his fast ball, curve ball, and drop ball, Eddie established

the record in 1957 of four wins and one loss. Last season he also pitched a shut-out against Eastern District High School.

### "Most Valuable Player"

Voted most valuable player in the Parade Grounds League, he also plays with the Banners of the Shore Parkway League.

"Hobbies? Why, it's ice-skating, ice hockey, swimming, basketball, billiards, rock and roll, and Frank Sinatra."

As for his future: "I plan to major in chemistry at Ithaca College, but hope to make baseball my profession."

### Introducing Jerry O'Connell

Holding me with one hand, he gently set me down, and Jerry O'Connell picked me up. Jerry humorously quipped, "I'm very modest about my (Continued on Page 4, Col. 4)"

## Track Coach Looks Forward To Next Season

Winning the PSAL championship in February, taking first place in the Iona Relays in April, and taking first place in the Penn Relays a week later were the three events that highlighted the current track season.

Bill Urban's performance this year was outstanding. Said Coach Joseph Kottmann, "He won practically all high hurdle and high jump championships this season, and now rates as the best track man Hamilton ever produced in its seventeen years of existence."

The coach believes that he will have an excellent team next year despite the loss of some of his best boys.

"This past season the three best teams in the city were Boys High, Andrew Jackson, and Fort Hamilton. We will have a better balanced team next year, but we won't have as many stars."

The graduating seniors are John Parrilla, Herb Irgens, and the relay team, consisting of John Clemente, Tom and Charles McGrath, and Bill Urban.

Mr. Kottmann cites Bob Cusack, a junior, as his coming mainstay. Bob's specialties are the high jump, the shotput, and the hurdles. The main team will probably consist of juniors Kirk Beck and John Mongelli; sophomores Richard Cerrato and Victor Gerckens; and freshmen Dom Claps, Charles Haggerty, Steve Shama, and Nick Mitsos.

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## Ex-Hamiltonite Wins 1st Place Poetry Prize

In the New York City High School Poetry Contest, Carolyn Gelland, a former Fort Hamiltonite, achieved a first prize for a sonnet entitled *Through a Frosty Glass*.

Carolyn, who was a junior, moved to Norway in April, before the winners were announced.

The prizes were awarded at Washing Irving High School April 29. Heike De Blasio, a junior, accepted the award in her stead. Carolyn's prize was a volume of Shakespeare's complete works, which was sent to her in Norway.

The poem first appeared in the March 6th *Pilot* and is reprinted below.

### Through a Frosty Glass

Unconscious are we in our speeding car  
In which we laugh and carelessly  
are warm,  
That windy wildernesses brew  
and storm  
And mask themselves behind  
a frosty bar.  
A world of clarity and form and light  
Denied me even as this misted glass  
Distorts the fleeting images that pass,  
And blur and fade together  
in the night.

Do I now have the strength or will  
to clear  
My glass of all the self-conceit  
it holds?  
Will I be able, when the world  
unfolds  
Its vistas, to look boldly without fear?  
Compelled, I sweep the glass, and  
darkness breaks;  
And lo, a life of pain and beauty  
wakes!

### Elysabeth Korein

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went on a tour of the United States and Canada. In California she visited the campuses of Stanford University and UCLA; saw the Grand Canyon in Colorado; and swam in the Great Salt Lake.

## Dance Band Tyros Play Like Pros

Mr. William Shine, a teacher in the Music Department, is a classicist at heart; but he has developed a dance band worthy of a professional jazz man. This band of tyros has performed at a Parent-Teachers meeting, the Easter concert, and three of the campaign assemblies, and has been "hired" for the Junior Prom.

The dancemen on the saxophone are Roy D'Urso, Douglas George, Jonathan Kamin, Larry Schuman and Marty Weinstein; on the trumpet, John Soltys, Jeff Samaha and Carlos Martinez; on the trombone, Jonathan Charney, Jose Martinez, Steve Salvesen; on the drums, Rudy Bachman; on the string bass, John Adams; on the piano, Betty Ann Salomone; and on the guitar, Paul Savadsky.

"These boys are eager to play, and I enjoy working with them every Tuesday afternoon," Mr. Shine remarked.

## Graduation

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*Espana Waltz* by Emil Waldteufel. Valedictorians Lee Rosenblum and Susan Jablonsky, the two students with the highest averages in the senior class, will deliver their speeches at the respective ceremonies.

Tickets for graduation will be distributed in the official classes, two tickets for each graduating senior.

Mrs. Swahn and Mr. Joltin both agreed that the Class of '58 was a delightful group to work with, and that they will miss the students very much when they leave.

## Trinity Club Wins Honor Certificate

The Trinity Club recently won a Certificate of Honor at the Mayor's Salute to Youth ceremony for its project of adopting a Korean orphan. Arthur Anderson, president of the group, accepted the award at ceremonies held at City Hall May 9.

The ceremonies were part of the New York City Salute to Youth Week. Mayor Robert F. Wagner and other high city officials were present at the awards ceremony to speak of the great contributions made by our youth to the city.

Charles Silver, president of the Board of Education, told listeners that "our country needs youth to strengthen our great democracy," and expressed the hope that all those present would learn to take an active part in government.

## Salutatorians

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to books on impressionistic painters, Van Gogh and Gauguin in particular.

Vinny also collects tropical fish. The number of tanks at his home proves that he's not just a guppy raiser! He owns everything up to Siamese fighters. Some breeding experiments have produced good results.

All in all, this graduate-to-be finds zest in doing things. That's always enough to give one an optimistic outlook on life.

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## Scholarships

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William Unis, 4A1—scholarship to George Washington University.

Karen Larsen, 4A15—scholarships to Wagner College and Barnard College.

Herbert Irgens, 4A15—Lutheran Evangelical Aid Scholarship.

Elizabeth Harrington, 4A9—scholarship to Miller Secretarial School.

Joan Hope, 4A15—scholarship to Claremont Secretarial School.

Susan Jablonsky and Lee Rosenblum achieved the distinction of becoming finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Competition. Both girls received Certificates of Merit, and the colleges in which they were interested were notified of this honor.

Susan Jablonsky has also received honorable mention in the Westinghouse Science Talent Search.

## Tower

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John Jahrling, art editor; June Plancher and Elizabeth Korein, co-literary-editors; Laelani Matonte, business manager; and Edith Frey, assistant art editor. All are hopeful that this year's *Tower* will live up to the high standards of its predecessors, and prove to be a yearbook the graduates can be proud of.



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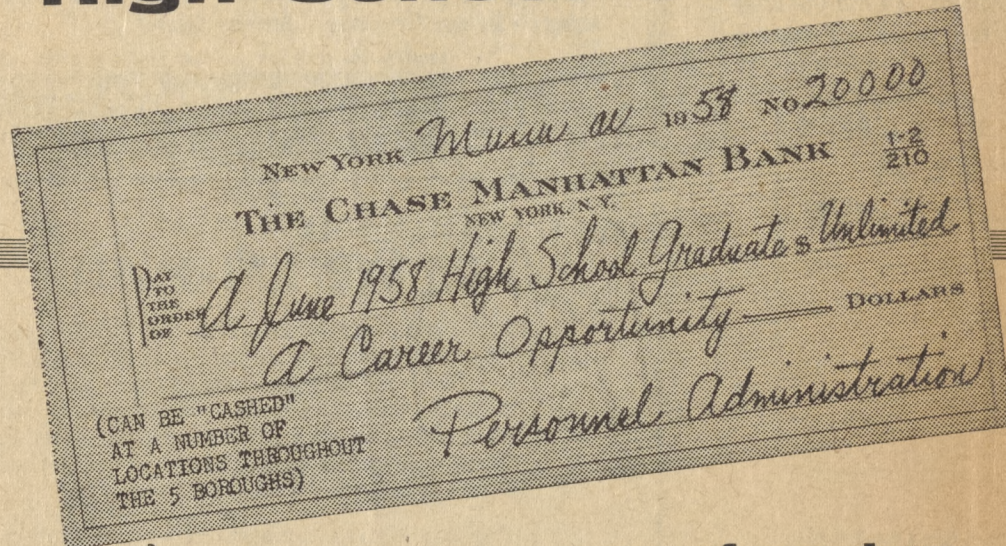
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